

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s):

Dale R. Buchholz, et al.

Application No.:

09/780,916

Filed:

February 9, 2001

For:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

ENCODING AND DECODING PAUSE

INFORMATION

Group Art Unit:

2654

Examiner:

Abul K. Azad

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following:

- 1. (X) Reply to Office Action of May 12, 2004.
- 2. Fee for Claims
 - () No additional fee is required.

The fee for additional claims in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.16(b)-(d) has been calculated as shown below:

					SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
·	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highes Previous fo	sly Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	67	Minus	68	-0-	x 9	-	x 18	-0-
Indep.	7	Minus	9	-0-	X 84	-	x 42	-0-
Fee for Multiple Dependent Claims					+140	-	+280	-
			тс	TAL ADDITIO	NAL FEES	-	OR	-0-

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL Attorney Docket No. <u>07942.0011.NPUS00</u>

3.	Method of Payment of Fees						

() Enclosed is our firm check in the amount of: \$

() Charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 08-3038.

4. (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17 during its entire pendency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-3038. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 08-3038. This sheet is filed in duplicate.

Respectfully Submitted,

July 30, 2004 (Date)

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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION OF MAY 12, 2004

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Dear Examiner Azad:

In response to the Office Action of May 12, 2004, please amend the aboveidentified application as set out below and kindly consider the remarks that follow.